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U.S. House of Representatives

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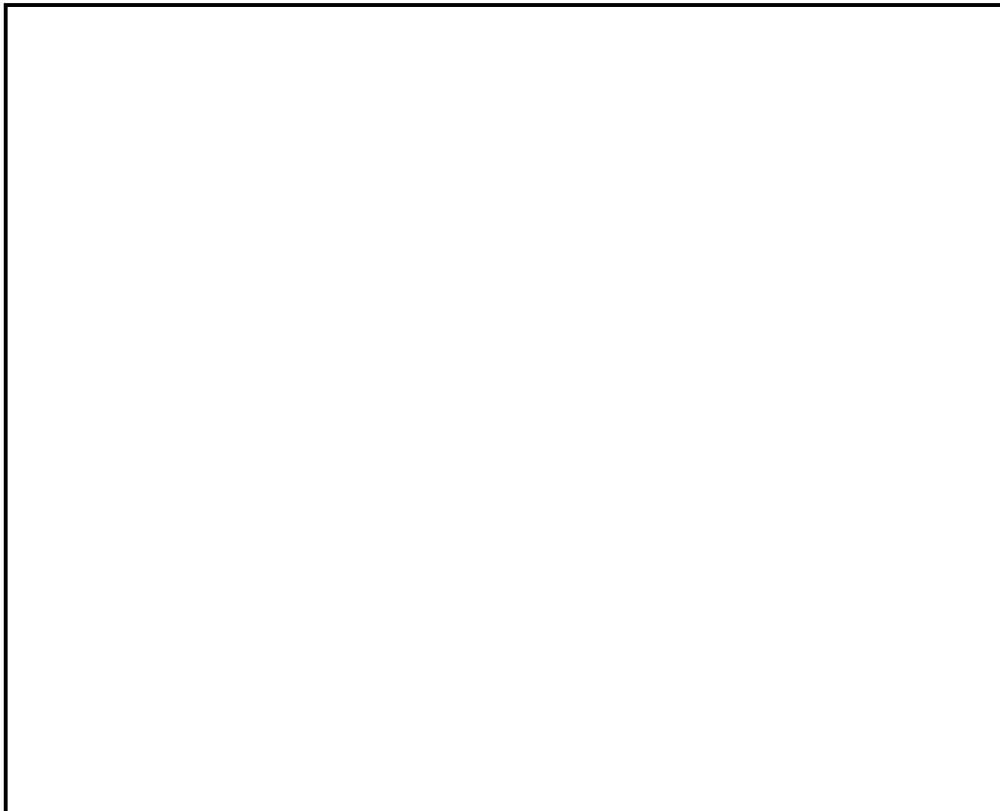
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Mr. Scott Breckinridge  
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Office of the Legislative Counsel  
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Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Breckinridge:

In connection with its investigation into the circumstances surrounding the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, the House Select Committee on Assassinations intends to call Ambassador Richard Helms to testify publicly before the Committee. Mr. Helms' hearing date is tentatively scheduled for the last week of September 1978.

In order to ensure that Mr. Helms' appearance is treated with the greatest degree of fairness and objectivity for both Mr. Helms' interests and those of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Committee requests that the following CIA classified documents be made available for use at Mr. Helms' public hearing:



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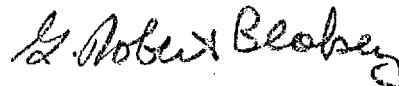
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I realize that the materials the Committee is requesting do contain sensitive sources and methods. Accordingly, we would be prepared to work with you towards obtaining appropriately sanitized copies that would serve our mutual interests.

Since some of the information cited in this letter was developed from classified information, consideration should be given to assigning this letter an appropriate classification indicator.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,



G. Robert Blakey  
Chief Counsel and Director

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